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In re application of: Reinhard Lorenz et al.

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For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF POLYURETHANES

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(c)(1) and e(2)**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.98 and in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant hereby makes of record the foreign document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider this document and make it of record in the subject application.

A copy of the foreign document is enclosed herewith. This document is being submitted as a potentially relevant document for the benefit of the Examiner. However, the Applicant notes that this European Patent Application is not *prior* art to the subject application. This European Patent Application published on March 3, 2004 with a filing date of September 17, 2003 and a priority date of September 30, 2002. In contrast, the subject application was filed in the United States on October 19, 2001 and is even entitled to earlier priority.

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Respectfully submitted,

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